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Application of Tameka Spence, et al. Art Unit: 1731
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AMENDMENT B

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,
SIR/MADAM:

In response to the Office action dated February 6, 2004,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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any buffer) in an amount from about 10 to about 15% by weight of papermaking fiber. Furthermore, none of the 14 working Examples disclose an amount of sodium bicarbonate in an amount between 10 to 15% by weight papermaking fiber.

Because none of the cited references, alone, or in combination, set forth an enabling disclosure for introducing sodium bicarbonate into an aqueous suspension in an amount from about 10 to about 15% by weight of papermaking fiber present in said aqueous suspension, new claim 26 is patentable.

Claims 27-33 depend either directly or indirectly from claim 26 and thus are patentable for the same reasons as claim 26 set forth above, as well as for the additional elements they require.

New claim 34 is similar to new claim 29 and further requires the sodium bicarbonate to be introduced into the aqueous suspension prior to depositing said aqueous suspension onto said sheet-forming fabric. As such, claim 34 is patentable for the same reasons as claim 26 as well as for the additional elements it requires.

Claims 35-41 depend either directly or indirectly from claim 34 and thus are patentable for the same reasons as claim 34 set forth above, as well as for the additional elements they require.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency in connection with this Amendment B to Deposit Account Number 19-1345 in the name of Senniger, Powers, Leavitt & Roedel.

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